ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION 22

THE PROBLEM – STATE POLITICIANS KEEP TAKING LOCAL GOVERNMENT and TRANSPORTATION FUNDS.

For too long, Sacramento politicians have used loopholes in the law to take billions in taxpayer funds dedicated by the voters to local government and transportation services.

The State Legislature took and borrowed \$5 billion last year and is planning to take billions more this year. State raids have forced deep cuts to vital local services like 9-1-1 emergency response, police, fire, libraries, senior services, road repairs, and public transportation improvements.

THE SOLUTION – YES on 22 will STOP STATE RAIDS of LOCAL GOVERNMENT and TRANSPORTATION FUNDS.

YES on 22 will:

- STOP the State from taking or borrowing local tax dollars dedicated to cities and counties to fund vital local services like 9-1-1 response, police, and fire protection.
- 2) STOP the State from taking or diverting gas taxes we pay at the pump that voters have dedicated to local road repairs, transportation improvements, and public transportation.

YES on 22 - PROTECTS. VITAL LOCAL SERVICES, including PUBLIC SAFETY.

- "Cities spend more than 60 percent of their general funds on police and fire services. By prohibiting State raids of local funds, Prop 22 will help maintain law enforcement, 9-1-1 emergency response, and other public safety services."
- Chief Douglas Fry, President, FIRE CHIEFS DEPARTMENT, League of California Cities YES on 22 will protect vital locally delivered services, including:
 - Police and sheriff patrols
 - 9-1-1 emergency dispatch

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- Paramedic response
- Fire protection
- Senior services
- Youth anti-gang and after school programs
- Neighborhood parks and libraries
- Public transportation, like buses and commuter rail
- Local road safety repairs

YES on 22 - ENSURES our GAS TAXES are DEDICATED to TRANSPORTATION.

The gas taxes we pay at the pump should be used to improve road safety, relieve traffic congestion, and to fund mass transit. But state politicians keep diverting our gas taxes for non-transportation purposes. Yes on 22 ensures that gas tax funds are used for transportation improvements as voters intended.

YES on 22 – APPLIES ONLY TO EXISTING FUNDING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT and TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

Prop 22 will NOT increase taxes. And claims that 22 will hurt school funding are just scare tactics by those who want to continue State raids of local funds. Prop 22 simply ensures that our *existing* local tax dollars and *existing* gas taxes cannot be taken away by the state politicians again.

YES on 22 - SUPPORTED by a BROAD COALITION:

- California Fire Chiefs Association
- Peace Officers Research Association of California, representing 60,000 public safety
 members
- Local paramedics and 9-1-1 dispatch operators

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- California Police Chiefs Association
- California Library Association, representing 3,000 librarians across California
- California Transit Association
- League of California Cities
- California Alliance for Jobs
- California Chamber of Commerce
- More than 50 local chambers of commerce
- More than 300 cities and towns

STOP STATE RAIDS OF LOCAL TAXPAYER FUNDS.

VOTE YES on 22!

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